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Enclosure 1

Specific Comments on GCI Map 70000

1. Ownership and control of oil properties is a fairly complicated picture and the map makes a good start at consolidating our company-relationship information for the area. For the Arabian Peninsula this information is already contained on CIA 25338, except for company affiliation #1 which has changed since research for the map was completed. However, we should note that Southern California Petroleum sold its interest in Sinai to Petrofina in August 1956 and the two concession areas of Moriqui Exploration Company in Somaliland were taken over by Standard Vacuum Oil Company between February and August 1956. Continental Oil Company is the sole owner of Sahara Petroleum Company, which has an operating contract on concessions held by Continental, Ohio, Richfield, and Cities Service.
2. The information on Libya is incomplete in concession areas granted and on Egypt it is incomplete in both concession areas granted and in concession areas applied for. The Alexandria refinery has been omitted.
3. There appears to be ample room to show oil zones and possibly concessions in Turkey. Both of these are omitted.
4. The alignment of Tapline between southwestern Syria and the Iraq-Saudi Arabian Neutral Zone is incorrect.
5. The Basra refinery is not linked to Abadan by pipeline; the line shown has been removed.
6. In the Kuwait Neutral Zone, if the loading terminal at Mina Al Ahmadi is shown in the inset, then the one at Mina Al Abdullah should be shown also. In the northern part of the area shown on this inset are several errors in the number of pipelines shown between points.
7. The inset showing the Ain Dar area in Saudi Arabia should also show the rest of the Ghawar field to the south. On this inset the number of lines from Qatif to Ras Tanura is four rather than three, and from Bahrain to Bahrain the number is two rather than one. The town of Awali is the headquarters of the Bahrain Petroleum Company in Central Bahrain, rather than on the coast of Saudi Arabia north of Ras Tanura.
8. A pipeline is under construction between Ras Tanura and Safaniya in Saudi Arabia. It will open in April 1957.
9. The Kavir Kurian concession in north central Iran has been given up by USSR although the actual signing of papers may have occurred after October 1956.
10. The J. W. Marshall concession does not cover all of Syria but consists of 300 sq. km. in northeastern Syria.

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11. The railroad across Cyprus has been removed.
12. There is no railroad from Banias, Syria, southeastward to the unnamed town which is Hama.
13. The railroads under construction to Tabriz and Meshed, Iran, have progressed considerably farther than shown on the map.
14. The international boundaries are incorrectly or inadequately shown as follows:
 - a. The Hadramaut is a regional name for a part of Aden Protectorate. The boundary shown between Aden and the Hadramaut is not an international boundary. Incidentally, this line on the map is made up of three different symbols.
 - b. Dhofar is part of Muscat and Oman and the boundary shown between them is not an international boundary.
 - c. The Egypt-Sudan boundary as plotted is a combination of the administrative and political boundaries which are shown correctly on CIA Map 13869, "Terrain and Transportation," dated January 1956.
 - d. The Department of State has informed us that an international boundary should not be shown between Ethiopia and Eritrea.
 - e. USSR, Afghanistan, and China (main map)
 - f. Gadar (main map)
 - g. The boundary between China and West Pakistan
15. If the name "Trucial Coast" is intended to represent a political entity, then it should not extend to the base of the Qatar Peninsula.
16. The international boundaries between the following countries are omitted:
 - a. Turkey and Greece (Main map)
 - b. Tunisia and Algeria (main map)
 - c. Algeria and French West Africa (main map)
 - d. Jordan and Syria (inset map)
 - e. Ethiopia and British Somaliland (main map)
 - f. Somalia and British Somaliland (main map)

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17. Many country names are missing on the main and inset maps and many names that are shown do not conform with BGN recommendations, such as:

- a. French Africa should be deleted (main map)
- b. Istanbul should read Istanbul (main map)
- c. Somaliland should be British Somaliland (inset map)
- d. Cyprus should have (U.K.) added (main map)
- e. French Somaliland should be spelled out (main map)

18. Other:

- a. The railroad along the north boundary of Syria should be on the Turkey side of the boundary.
- b. The use of green for both railroads and pipelines is confusing.
- c. Pie chart at top left - 70.7% reads 74%.
- d. Lower right chart - graphic portrayal of production in barrels is not consistent between Iraq and Qatar vs. Iran and Bahrain.

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